



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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S. 762

A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a feasibility study on the inclusion of the Miami Circle in Biscayne National Park

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on
June 16, 1999*

S. 762 would direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the Miami Circle, a recently discovered archeological site in downtown Miami, Florida. The study would determine the national significance of the site as well as the feasibility and suitability of including it within Biscayne National Park. The Secretary would include in the study any recommendations on which areas of or surrounding the Circle should be included in the park and whether additional staff or other resources would be necessary as a result of such inclusion. The bill would authorize the appropriation of whatever sums are necessary to conduct the study, and it would require the Secretary to report on its findings and recommendations within one year and 30 days of receiving funds.

Assuming appropriation of the necessary amount, CBO estimates that implementing S. 762 would cost the federal government \$150,000 over the next year to complete the required study and report. The bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. S. 762 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would have no significant impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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